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Thanks, for this update Bill.

I'd like to send out the first SAVE the DATE email to invitees at the end of next week. So, let's make sure we have a preliminary list compiled by Thursday March 29th.

Best,  
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The following is a status report on our activities:

CONVENING OF RESEARCH INTEREST GROUP/EXPANSION OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Katherine Lambert-Pennington is working with us to convene a group of faculty members on Friday, April 27 at 1 p.m. (McCord Hall) to (1) discuss the role and status of activities by the PSI and (2) hopefully identify individuals who are interested in being part of interdisciplinary teams to apply for grants and conduct applied research in the area of public safety (which can be broadly defined).

We are not in any way limiting this to SUAPP faculty, in fact, just the opposite. We will be reaching out to other parts of the university, with Katherine taking the lead in identifying potential interested faculty members and sending out the invitation. We welcome your ideas on this ! Just send any suggested invitees to me, and I will make sure they are added to our master invitation list. It would be good if we could have the list together by Friday, April 6. (Peter, you may have some thoughts on law school faculty members to invite.)

As an outgrowth of this gathering, we hope to reconstitute/expand the PSI Advisory Committee to make it a more active entity as we move forward.

SYMPOSIUM ON EXPANDING JOB OPPORTUNITIES FOR EX-OFFENDERS: This symposium is now set for Friday, May 18 from 8:30 a.m. - noon at the Fogelman Executive Center. The TN Department of Correction (TDOC) has agreed to cover the costs and will be a co-sponsor of the event with the PSI. I'm also adding the Crime Commission as a co-sponsor so that we can use its staff to help with the symposium.

TDOC Commissioner Tony Parker will be the keynote speaker. The commissioner of the TN Department of Labor and Workforce Development and Mayor Luttrell will be participating as well. (Mayor Strickland has been invited.)

We have all the key players as part of a planning group for the symposium. They are really carrying the ball in terms of putting together the program.

ENEWSLETTER: We are still looking at mid-April for the first edition of a quarterly enewsletter. It will probably highlight (1) the upcoming symposium, (2) first quarter crime stats for Memphis and all of Shelby County and (3) the new DV grant that we have obtained and the research underway pursuant to the grant.

FUNDING OF SPECIFIC PROJECTS: I have been working with Carolyn Dickens on a possible contribution to the U of M Foundation earmarking funds for undergraduates to assist in PSI-related research.

We are working out the details of an interagency agreement between the university and TDOC for a mapping project to identify and pinpoint services for ex=offenders in the Memphis area.

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